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Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions: Mr. Mselle

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In the absence of Mr. Abelian (Armenia), Mr. Armitage (Australia), Vice-Chairman, took the Chair.

The meeting was called to order at 10 a.m.

Agenda item 141: Financing of the United Nations Support Mission in Haiti, the United Nations Transition Mission in Haiti and the United Nations Civilian Police Mission in Haiti (*continued*) (A/52/869; A/53/789 and A/53/846)

1. **The Chairman** invited the Committee to resume its consideration of agenda item 141, entitled "Financing of the United Nations Support Mission in Haiti, the United Nations Transition Mission in Haiti and the United Nations Civilian Police Mission in Haiti", and drew the Committee's attention to the revised budget for the period from 1 July 1997 to 30 June 1998 and the revised budget for the period from 1 July 1998 to 30 June 1999 (A/52/869), the additional requirements for the period from 1 July 1998 to 30 June 1999 (A/53/789), and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/53/846).

2. **Mr. Mselle** (Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions), introducing the Advisory Committee's report (A/53/846), said that the report contained the views and recommendations of the Advisory Committee based on its review of the Secretary-General's report on the financing of the United Nations Civilian Police Mission in Haiti (MIPONUH) (A/53/789). He noted that when the Advisory Committee had submitted its proposals to the General Assembly regarding MIPONUH in 1998, the Security Council had extended the Mission to 30 November 1998 but had not indicated whether any further extensions were contemplated. The Security Council had subsequently extended the Mission to 30 November 1999. Since the resources had been indicated as being essentially intended for the liquidation of the Mission, the Secretary-General had had to revise the Mission's requirements ending 30 June 1998, as summarized in paragraph 2 of the Advisory Committee's report.

3. The Advisory Committee commended the Secretary-General on the preparation of his report, especially with regard to the manner in which the Secretariat had followed the Advisory Committee's general recommendations on streamlining the preparation of peacekeeping reports contained in document A/52/860.

4. The Advisory Committee concurred in the Secretary-General's proposals, and in paragraph 14 of its report (A/53/846) recommended that the General Assembly should approve the appropriation and assessment of the amount of $12,264,015 gross ($11,577,615 net) for the period from 1 July 1998 to 30 June 1999, in addition to the amount of $17,704,085 gross ($16,959,085 net) already appropriated and assessed under General Assembly resolution 52/246.

5. In paragraph 13 of its report, the Advisory Committee recommended that the Secretariat should review the functions assigned to individual contractors as enumerated in annex V to the Secretary-General's report. The Advisory Committee was of the view that some of those functions should be performed by mission staff.

The meeting rose at 10.08 a.m.